

H. S. PLAYERS TO GIVE BIG PAGEANT FOR BARD OF AVON

Shakespeare Tercentenary Will Be Observed at Reservoir by Five Companies.

PROGRAM IS PREPARED

Instructors Arrange Both Music and "Book" for Noteworthy Production.

"When daffodils begin to peer,
With hedges the daisy over the dale,
Why, then comes in the sweet o' the year,
For the red blood rekins in the winter's pale."

Thus sang the immortal bard, and so will sing girls and boys of the Washington high schools when they join at the festival at the Sixteenth street reservoir in honor of the tercentenary of the death of the poet of Avon on the afternoons of May 11, 12 and 13.

With music a vital factor of this festival, his high school orchestras are now being called upon to prove their mettle, for to them is assigned all the incidental music, as well as the accompanying of all the songs and choruses.

The Shakespeare pageant has been effectively compiled and arranged from the most joyous plays of Shakespeare by Miss Sarah E. Simons, head of the English department of the high schools.

With a like faithfulness to tradition, the music has been selected by Hamilton G. Cogswell, chiefly from compositions that have become through usage a part of Shakespeare productions, and whose association with the plays are inseparable from the life of the lines or the brightness and beauty of the picture.

Orchestra of Sixty.

Mr. Cogswell, who is director of music of the schools, will direct the orchestra, with Dore Watten of Technical High School, as assistant. The orchestra is composed of sixty members, the school having its full quota of strings and only needing the addition of a French horn and one or two wind instruments from the outside to make it complete.

Five companies of high school players will enter the court of Queen Elizabeth to the orchestral strains of "The Dance of the Fower Maidens," by Gauguin, followed by a triumphal march, the "Pleasant March," from "Athalie," of Mendelssohn. A combined chorus will then greet her Majesty with the tuneful "Heartsease," by Vincent, after which the separate companies will then, in turn, pay their tribute in dramatic scenes and episodes.

The first company of players, the "Children of the Chapel Royal," from Eastern High School, in presenting an entertainment called "Fairy Frolics," which consists of scenes from "A Midsummer Night's Dream," will give the song "Over Hill, Over Dale," to the music of Mrs. E. H. A. Beach, while their "Fairy Dance" and their "Fairy Song" will both be from the Mendelssohn incidental music to "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

To Present Fantasy.

The second company, "The Globe Players" of Central High, will present a fantasy, "In Celebration of True Love," being a scene from "The Tempest," and one from "As You Like It." For the former, they will sing in chorus "Where the Bee Sucks," to the old English setting by Dr. Arne, and a solo for the lyric, "Now the Hungry Lion." For "As You Like It" they will have as a solo "It Was a Lover and His Lass," with music by Jerome Burton, a chorus, "What Shall He Have Who Killed the Deer?" by Bishop, and two dances, the Foresters' Dance to "Shepherd's All and Maidens Fair," by Nevin, and a Wedding Dance to the "Dance of the Autumn Leaves," by Mattel.

"The Company of Burbage" comes from McKinley Technical High School, and in a sprightly "Merry War of Words" will present scenes from "The Taming of the Shrew." For these scenes, the orchestra will play a "Tarentelle-Bouffonne," by Tobioli, and the Mozart "Minuet" for a Wedding March.

Music by Elson.

The fourth company, from Business High School, have called themselves "The Queen's Players." They will present "The Jolly Merchant Piles His Trade," which consists of scenes from "The Winter's Tale." Here as solo will be given "When Daffodils Begin to Peer," with music by Elson, and again as solo the verities beginning "Lawn as white as driven snow." The orchestra will play for them the Edward German "Morris Dance" from "Henry VIII," a "Clown's Dance," from the Mendelssohn "Midsummer Night's Dream" music, and "In the Hall of the Mountain King," from the "Peer Gynt Suite," by Grieg.

From Western High School comes the

last company, "The Servants of Lord Chamberlain." They will present "Fun for Everyman," a scene from "A Midsummer Night's Dream," with the Mendelssohn "Wedding March" for incidental music.

All five companies will then combine in the Mendelssohn "Fairy Song" and "Fairy Dance," and this pageant of literary and musical gems will close with a recessional, for which the orchestra will play the Schubert "Marche Militaire."

And so, with the fairies of May, will high school maids and youths sing:

"Over hill, over dale,
Through brush, through brier,
Over park, over pale,
Through flood, through fire,
I do wander everywhere—
Swifter than the moon's sphere;
And I'll serve the fairy queen,
To dew her orbs upon the green."
J. MacB.

Will Hold Meeting to Aid Memorial Project

Aims and purposes of the National Memorial Association will be laid before the public at a mass meeting at the Wesley A. M. E. Zion Church, Fourteenth and Corcoran streets northwest, at 8 o'clock Monday night.

The association is incorporated in the District, for the purpose of erecting a monument here to colored soldiers and sailors who fought in the country's wars.

Senator Kern and Congressman Madden and Dyer have been invited to address the meeting. John C. Dancy, Thomas L. Jones, the Rev. W. H. Jermain, and Judge R. H. Terrell also are on the list. A number of patriotic organizations will be represented.

The Amphion Glee Club, Prof. J. H. Lewis, director, the Hackley Choral Society, and the band of the First Separate Battalion, D. N. G., will provide music. F. D. Lee is chairman of the committee.

Body of Dr. Supplee Is Found in James River

With the discovery yesterday of the body of Dr. Eugene L. Supplee, who was drowned in the James river near Richmond on April 2, renewed efforts are being made to locate the body of the young wife, who was in the canoe with him when the accident occurred.

Dr. Supplee's body was discovered floating in the river near Picketts wharf where the canoe is supposed to have capsized. The body was removed to Richmond, where it will be kept until the body of Mrs. Supplee is recovered. The two bodies then will be brought to Washington for burial, it is believed.

Will Show Alaska In Moving Pictures

"A Trip Through Alaska" and "Making a Watch," will be shown in motion pictures at the American University, tomorrow afternoon. The lecture will take place in the college of history building, at Massachusetts and Nebraska avenues, at 2:30 o'clock.

It is the second of a series of extension lectures, illustrated by moving pictures, and was arranged by the university with the assistance of the Bureau of Commercial Economics, for Saturday afternoons during April and May. The lectures are free. School teachers and high school pupils are specially invited.



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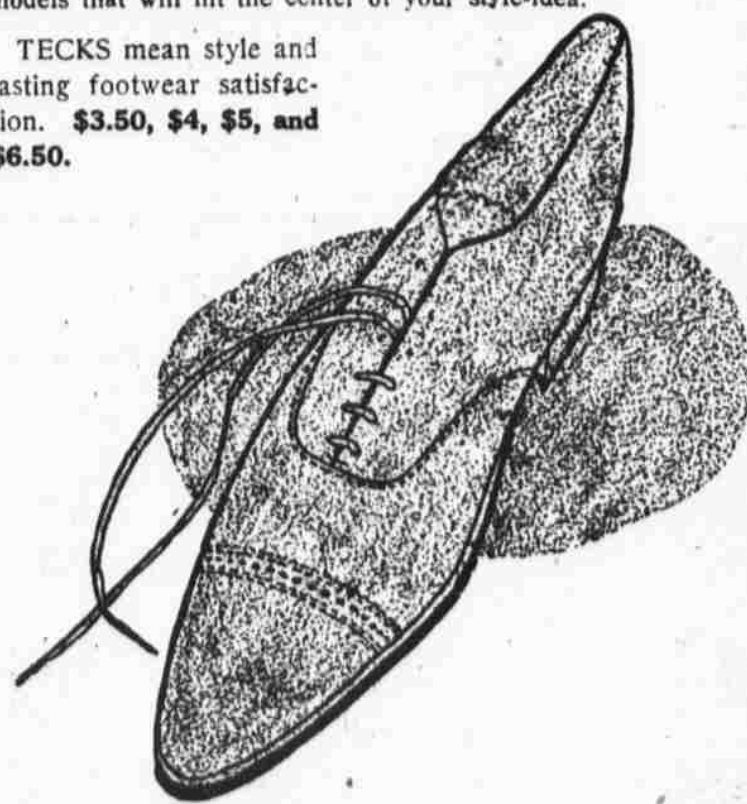
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